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This bill eliminates the mandatory hearing requirement for extension of an Order for Protection (OFP), when the petitioner seeks only limited relief. A hearing will only be required if the petitioner's request is denied by the court or the respondent requests a hearing. The bill also clarifies that notice, service, and hearing times are provided in subdivision 5.

(Limited relief includes prohibiting contact with petitioner, excluding abusing party from petitioner's residence or workplace, continuing insurance coverage, and directing care and protection of companion animals.)